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REMARKS

Claims 41-85 were pending in the application. By this paper, Applicant has amended Claims 71 and 80, and added new Claims 86-88. Hence, Claims 41-88 are presented for examination herein.

Amendments to the Specification

By this paper, Applicant has amended the "Summary" section of the specification to make it generally consistent with the claims presented herein. No new matter is introduced.

Allowed Claims

Claims 41-49 and 62-76 stand allowed per the Office Action.

Claim Amendments

By this paper, Applicant has amended Claims 71 and 80 in order to correct spelling errors. No new matter is introduced.

Rejected Claims

Per page 2 of the Office Action, Claims 50-61 and 77-85 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting. By this paper, Applicant submits a terminal disclaimer in compliance with 37 CFR 1.321(c) in order to overcome the Examiner's rejection.

Applicant respectfully request that the Examiner pass this case to issuance at the earliest opportunity.

New Claims

By this paper, Applicant has added three new independent claims (Claims 86-88), which relate generally to the subject matter of the other claims presented herein. Support for these claims is replete throughout the specification; see, e.g., page 23, lines 19-29 of the specification as filed regarding Claim 88. Applicant submits that these new Claims are in condition for allowance as well.

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Other Remarks

Applicant hereby specifically reserves the right to prosecute claims of different or broader scope, including those of non-elected inventions, in a continuation or divisional application.


5 Applicant notes that any claim cancellations or additions made herein are made solely for the purposes of more clearly and particularly describing and claiming the invention and responding to the aforementioned restriction election, and not for purposes of overcoming art or for patentability. The Examiner should infer no (i) adoption of a position with respect to patentability, (ii) change in the Applicant's position with respect to any claim or subject matter of
10 the invention, or (iii) acquiescence in any way to any position taken by the Examiner, based on such cancellations or additions.

Furthermore, any remarks made with respect to a given claim or claims are limited solely to such claim or claims.

If the Examiner has any questions or comments which may be resolved over the
15 telephone, he is requested to call the undersigned at (858) 675-1670.

Respectfully submitted,
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